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SUBJECT: SITREP AS OF 3PM, MAY 22

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1. THE COUNTRY REMAINS CALM AS VOTE COUNT, WHOSE NUMBERS AT THIS MOMENT SHOW A VERY CLOSE GOVERNMENT-OPPOSITION BALANCE IN AREAS OUTSIDE THE CITIES, CONTINUES. RESULTS COULD POSSIBLY BE TALLIED BY LATE TONIGHT OR TOMORROW.

2. AT APPROXIMATELY 10 A.M. THE JUNTA CENTRAL ELECTORAL REINITIATED THE NATIONAL TABULATION OF THE MAY 16TH ELECTIONS.

WITH APPROXIMATELY TWO-THIRDS OF THE MUNICIPALITIES OUTSIDE THE CAPITAL REPORTING, BALAGUER'S PARTIDO REFORMISTA WAS HOLDING 5,800 VOTE LEAD (287,691 TO 281,881) OVER THE PARTIDO REVOLU-

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CIONARIO DOMINICANO IN THE NATIONAL CONTEST WHEN THE JCE SHUT DOW FOR LUNCH AT NOON. IT WILL RESUME ITS TABULATION AT 4 P.M.

3. ALTHOUGH THE PRD CARRIED THE COUNTRY'S SECOND LARGEST CITY, SANTIAGO, BY MORE THAN 20,000 VOTES, AND RLLED UP SUBSTANTIAL MARGINS IN COTUI AND LA ROMANA, THE REFORMISTA EDGE HELD IN THE TOWN OF PUERTO PLATA, SAN CRISTOBAL AND SAMANA, PLUS THE MAJORITY

OF THE SMALLER RURAL HAMLETS.

4. THESE FIGURES ARE MOSTLY FROM THE SMALLER, FRONTIER AND
RURAL MUNICIPALITIES WHICH ARE CONSIDERED PR TERRITORY. THEY
EXCLUDE THE NATIONAL DISTRICT, WHICH WENT PRD BY A LARGE MARGIN
(REFTEL) AND SEVERAL OF THE LARGER INTERIOR TOWNS.
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